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1. (Amended) A method of providing high-speed information service within a communication system comprising:

- establishing a distributed network of distribution points;
- providing each packet destined for a subscriber unit with an address, the address indicating a destination within the communication system;
- receiving each packet in the network of distribution points;
- in each distribution point along a path of distribution points to the destination, determining to which distribution point each packet will be forwarded based on the address;
- receiving each packet in an access point servicing the destination; and
- forwarding each packet to the destination subscriber unit.